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SUBJ: BURUNDI REFUGEES IN TANZANIA

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 2594 (NOTAL)

1. DELEGATION REPRESENTING UNHCR IN GENEVA, WORLD FOOD PROGRAM IN RTE, AND TANGANYIKA CHRISTIAN REFUGEE SERVICE RETURNED TO DAR ES SALAAM SEPTEMBER 6 AFTER 3-DAY FACT-FINDING TOUR OF BURUNDI REFUGEE SITUATION IN WESTERN TANZANIA. INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL REPORTEDLY BE PRESENTED TO UNHCR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING NEXT MONTH IN GENEVA..

2. MEMBER OF DELEGATION EXPLAINED TO EMB. OFFICER THAT AS OF SEPT. 6 THERE WERE 33,700 BURUNDI REFUGEES AT ULYANKULU SETTLEMENT PROJECT NORTHWEST OF TABORA, 2,400 REFUGEES AT NEW KATUMBA CAMP NORTHEAST OF MPANDA, 2,000 REFUGEES IN KIBIRIZI RECEIVING CAMP NEAR KIGOMA, AND 130 REFUGEES AT PANGALE SETTLEMENT PROJECT SOUTH OF TABORA. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 5,000 AND 40,000 BURUNDI REFUGEES REMAIN OUTSIDE CAMPS IN KIGOMA

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REGION. IN MANY CASES, IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO DISTINGUISH

BURUNDI REFUGEES FROM TANZANIAN NATIONALS. KIBIRIZI RECEIVING CAMP IS PRESENTLY PROCESSING ABOUT 100 REFUGEES PER DAY FOR TRANSPORT TO KATUMBA CAMP.

3. AREA INSIDE BURUNDI ALONG TANZANIAN BORDER IS DESCRIBED AS NO MAN'S LAND AND BURUNDI TROOPS ARE REPORTEDLY CONSTANTLY PATROLLING BORDER. ALTHOUGH IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO EXIT BURUNDI, OFFICIAL ESTIMATED THAT 1000 REFUGEES ARE STILL REACHING TANZANIA EACH MONTH. BASED ON REPORTS FROM REFUGEES, HE DESCRIBED SITUATION INSIDE BURUNDI AS "STILL UNSETTLED".
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